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Nathaniel Bronner: Turn your Bibles to Luke Chapter 24, beginning at Verse 13. And on the back of your program, you'll notice that there is a chart of the appearances of Jesus after his resurrection and these are in the order -- the best that Thessalonians can determine of who and where Jesus appeared after his resurrection. And we're going to be dealing today with that fourth appearance on the road to a (00:00:44). In Luke Chapter 24 beginning at the 13th verse the new King James Version.

Now behold, two of them were traveling that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was seven miles from Jerusalem. And they talked together of all these things which has happened. So it was while they conversed and reasoned that, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them. But their eyes were restrained so that they did not know him.

And he said to them, "What kind of conversation is this that you have with one another as you walked and are sad?" Then the one whose name was Cleopas, answered and said to him, are you the only stranger in Jerusalem, and have you not known the things which happened there in his last days? And he said to them, What things? So, they said to him the things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was the prophet mighty in deed and words before God and all the people.

And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we were hoping that it was he who was going to redeem Israel, indeed besides all this, today is the third day since these things happened.

Yes, and certain women of our company who arrived at the tomb early astonished us when they did not find his body, they came saying that they also had seen a vision of angels who said he was alive. And certain of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said but him, they did not see. Then he said to them, "Oh foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken: Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?"

And beginning in Moses and all the prophets, he expounded to them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself. Then they drew near to the village, where they were going and he indicated that he would have gone further but they constrained

him saying, "Abide with us for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent." And he went in to stay with them. Now, it came to pass, as he sat at the table with them, that he took bread, blessed it, and broke it and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they knew him; and he vanished from their sight. And they said to one another, "Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us on the road? And while he opened to us the scriptures to us?"

And I want to just draw a particular attention to that 16th verse of the 24th chapter of Luke. But their eyes were restrained, so that they did not know you. And I speak to you today from the subject of in another phone. The Bible said that their eyes were chained so that they saw Jesus as someone else but they did not even recognize who he was.

I put the chart of the appearances of Jesus to bring out some point and to show some things. First of all, there were two of them on that road to a Emmaus. (00:04:19) and some say that this is the same celibate that's over in John 19:25, it was his wife that was there where it says, "Now, there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother and his mother's sister, Mary. And Mary the wife of Cleopas and Mary Magdalene.

Many of the Thessalonians says, "This was the woman that was the wife of the same Cleopas or (00:04:48) that was walking on the road to Emmaus. And that was a husband and wife that was walking that road together, two.

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They were walking together talking about Jesus and it brings to mind the scripture that simply says for where two or three are gathered together in my name. There am I in the midst of them. Do you know people, whenever you're with at least one other person talking about in the spirit, and in the name of Jesus, do you realize that Jesus is in the midst with you?

But so often, and as a matter of fact, in the vast majority of cases, you can't recognize it. Whenever two or more gathered in my name, there I am in the midst of -- now, first of all, haven't you been with somebody else in the name of Jesus? But did you see him? Did you see him? The bible said he's there but you didn't see him. He was there on another form. See, peoples are

Cleopas. I like to call him Cleopas so you know he's a black (00:06:15) Cleopas. Cleopas and his wife, they were walking together on the road to Emmaus. And you see, that's one of the first principles. Whenever two or more are gathered together in my name, they were in together in this.

Whenever you are in together, and that's such a difficult part and I believe this was the husband and the wife (00:06:42). All you've got to do to have Jesus come into your household is first of all, you need to be together. When you are not together, Jesus is not there, you need to be together. So whenever two or more are gathered together in my name, whenever they gather within my name, I will be there in the midst, I'll be there in the middle of it.

Do you know, if you can just get on one accord, dealing with almost anything in life. If you can ever -- my father told my mother before he married and he said, "If I can just get one person to think as I think, to believe as I believe, to see the vision that I can see. There's nothing that we can't accomplish." My mama understood the principle, whenever two or more are gathered, two or three are gathered together in my name, I will be there in the midst of it and I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

He understood the principle that he has to have somebody with him. And did you know, in all of these instances in the Bible, no one was alone when they saw Jesus. And you say, "Wait a minute it was one that was by himself that was (00:08:04)." I'm going to explain that and show you something. No one was alone when they saw Jesus. Every single one of the instances that is detailed, they were always together with two or more folks.

Together they see -- you want to bring Jesus? Get together with somebody in His name. That's why when he sent his disciples out, he set them out together and he knew if they went out together, whenever they went together, he would be there in the midst. That's the requirement, that's what his words said. Whenever two or three, that means all you need is two. That means if you can't get with just someone else in his name, Jesus is going to be there in the midst.

But they could not recognize it because he was there on another form. And oftentimes, you need to be able to recognize the forms of Jesus. There are a few people on earth that have had an actual manifestation of where they have seen the literal form of Jesus. He has always been with us and he has always appeared and he has always worked in another form. Very few of us have seen a man shining with a bright light in a long robe in sandals with long hair, a very few people have seen that.

All of our experiences with the Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, He has been in another form. Something that we could not recognize by the natural eye or by the natural logic. But one of those criterion, you need to be together. Whenever you are a part, it automatically strip God out of stuff because there is a problem when you have descension. There is a problem in your own household when you've got fussing and when you got fighting -- do you know (00:10:05).

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If God is love, God is love and Jesus is the manifestation of God here on earth. Jesus is love so -- and you're in the midst of all this mess. If you want to bring Jesus into your house, yes, get your Bible, yes read your scripture but stop slapping each other's (00:10:25). Get it together. And if you get together, brother, I have been taking karate. He's an expert in math (00:10:39) have any problems with (00:10:41) to take care of him. But there's one thing that you learn in karate. The chances when you fight one man is an even fist to fist but whenever it goes to two men, and whenever you have to fight two men, your chance is brought from 50/50 to one out of ten that you'd be able to do.

Whenever two both team up on you, the Bible says, "One can put a thousand to flight but two is enough," that is actually (00:11:18) even in normal logical fighting statistics. Whenever there is two, you got 10 times as much power. People, do you want to know how to get 10 times as much (00:11:28)? Just get together with somebody in Jesus' name. And do you know the power and the principle of togetherness were (00:11:37) when it's not in Jesus' name. That's the (00:11:42). They have a power. Anyone that gest together, when the drug (00:11:50) get together, do you have a power. There is a power in togetherness.

Could you imagine what happens when church folk, when God's people, when just (00:12:05) together. When you don't have to worry about watching your back with the other person. Most of the time, when we thought -- we go into marriages with long prenups saying that if you do this and if you do that, it is all you're going to get and you can't take the -- you sit down before you even get started on the road mapping out a split.

Before you get started, you started mapping out a split. Before we got married, my wife, she knew that I was (00:12:38) and she asked me, she said, "Did you want a prenup?" I said, "No." I said, "If I got to set a prenuptial with you, I don't need to be marrying you." I said, "I'm not going in this thing to bust up. So I'm not even going to make the players for that room because that's not why I'm traveling."

If you can just get together with just one person, I'm not talking about you getting together with the whole world, I'm talking about one person. That's why the Bible says, "Whenever two (00:13:19) or three." It's good if you get three but no need to stop at three, can you get just one person with you? One person where you all are on one agreement, where you all are on one accord so you all see the same thing where you're going in the same direction, that's why it's so hard for most of us to accomplish stuff because so few are really on one accord.

They got (00:13:46), they got an issue, they got to be -- and you walk (00:13:53), that's what it boils down to. You've got to hate it but don't say, "I'm going in different directions." Have you ever tried to look at a person in the (00:14:03)? I mean, one eye going -- the whole thing throw you all along. And you get -- just looking at them. Because the eyes are not together. Two on the road to Emmaus and they were talking about, they were discussing Jesus. And Jesus, he said (00:14:29), he changed in the midst of them and that's the principle, people. If we can just get together.

Yes (00:14:34) this stuff begins on the earth and it begins with this. The Bible says, "How can you love God whom you have not seen?" You don't love your brother whom you have seen. So what it's boiling down to is this, you've got all this stuff (00:14:57) and we can't get together.

I'm not talking about us getting together with some movies. I'm not talking about the (00:15:09). I'm not taking about the Pentecostal getting together with the church (00:15:12). I'm not talking about denominations getting together. I'm talking first of all, about you getting together with one person. One person, do you know most marriages, if you ask the person, "Do you really trust your spouse and would you lay your life in their hands?" Do you know a lot of folks, "Yeah, I got a (00:15:38)." Live my life (00:15:44). No!

On one accord, one vision, but just one person and Jesus' promises for where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in the midst of them. And in every instance of where Jesus showed himself after his resurrection, it was to two or more folk. But you go, "What about Peter?" Peter was actually the third mission. But when you actually go and look, the Bible does not detail number one, for Peter was alone. And that doesn't even talk about the instance, all it did with Luke 24-34 is saying the Lord is risen indeed and have appeared to Simon which is Peter.

There was another party talking about where the Lord has risen and he appeared to Peter. He doesn't say whether Peter was with anyone or not. There is a reason, even why it appears that he may have appeared to Peter by himself and let me tell you what that reason is. First of all, if you go and if you look at Mark 16-7, when they had gone to the tomb and the angel said, "But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilei. There shall ye see him and he said unto you. That he said unto you."

Then the angels tell them this, "But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter. Now why does the angel tell them to tell his disciples and because Peter was a disciple." So why do you got to say -- tell his disciple and Peter that that would be just like my mother. And as she was having dinner today at her house at 2 o'clock and someone would say, "Go tell Mrs. Bronner's sons and Nathaniel that they're going to have dinner today at 2 o'clock.

Why do they got to say, "Go tell Mrs. Bronner's sons and Nathaniel that they're going to have dinner today at 2 o'clock? I'm her son so I'm automatically included in that. So why did

the angels have to say go tell his disciples and Peter?” Peter was a disciple. So why the redundancy? Why the double statement? What was the purpose and what was the message? What was unique? What was different? What was special about Peter.

Some will say, well Peter did not and so what? The rest of the disciples fled and doubted and everything, there’s no different about that. So (00:18:45) bringing all the disciples (00:18:45). So there was nothing unique because Peter is just another. He was just put up against the wall, all of them would have done. So, what was special that the angels had to stay, “Go tell his disciples and Peter.”

Peter had one distinction, one difference and that difference was this, Matthew 16-18 says, “And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock, I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Peter meant (00:19:42), it meant rock. Jesus says upon this rock will I build my church. Peter was symbolic and he was the one most identified by Jesus with the Church.

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So when you look at what the angel said, the angels really (00:20:00) said, “Go tell my disciples and go tell the church I’m (00:20:03).” That’s why they separated the name of Peter. “Go tell the disciples and tell my church that built upon this rock that I am (00:20:18).” But in every other instance, it was always at least two or more gathered in His name. Do you notice Jesus did not appear to anybody that didn’t accept him or believe Him forehand?

Now, (00:20:40). In the flesh, and (00:20:47) doubted me. I’m going back to my crucify(ph). Out of going back to the God, said, “Nail me up on the cross.” Out of -- scared of death. I want to go back to the Jewish towns(ph). That it said I was a demon. I would have gone back (00:21:10) confused them and convicted me of (00:21:14). I’m going to go back to them and say, “I’m back.” I’m going to scare them to death. But Jesus did not appear to anyone that didn’t already believe and accept Him. And I don’t believe He appeared to anybody that wasn’t (00:21:39) somebody.

One person, if you can be together as one, in Jesus' name, He promised to be there in the midst of it. It's not an easy thing because the whole world -- it dares(ph) you for (00:22:04) and it dares you for one-upmanship. The world dares you to try to take advantage of the (00:22:11). The world dares you to be the master and everyone else to be the servant. The world dares you not to be together. It's fashionable. "I am my own man. I do my own thing and nobody is going to tell me what to do." Then that means you're not to (00:22:31) with anybody. You don't want to (00:22:32) with anybody.

Whenever you can get a vision and that vision is shared whole heartedly, that's why even in marriage, that's why I said, "And the two shall become one flesh," and if there's the wife's body is not her own. Husbands, look at your wife and say, "That ain't your body. That's my body." Look at them and tell them that. The Bible said even the wife's body is not your own. And it also said the husband's body. Not (00:23:04) -- the next time you need him to take out the trash, tell him that, say, "Look, take my hand and go and get that trash out of here."

The Bible says that even each of your body is not your own, it belongs to the other. But the world has twisted that and told us something different. It is made up focused on, "This is mine and that's theirs." And it's a line right down in the middle. That is why we're not together and that's why Jesus is not in the middle. His resurrection, it tells this church that He has risen. But that's why He's not in the midst because we are not together. And if we can get together, do you know just (00:23:50) you can handle so many bumps and bruises of life when you get somebody that you're together with.

Do you know you don't even get as scared if you're with someone? Same thing (00:24:03). You're at home and we just had a thunderstorm last night. Then you're at home by yourself with thunder and lightning and you hear some squeaking on the outside and you're, by yourself. I mean, you're a strong man(ph). The strong man. I know because it happened to me. If I'm out of town, or something special I'm up at the cabin in the woods, you hear something that's squeaking on the outside, just know it's not much but it's the much that gets you. You don't know what it is but there's something about it that if you are not alone, the feelings(ph) doesn't (00:24:43). And do you know, it can even be a child that's with you, (00:24:48) have somebody

again doin it and there's something about it that when you are together with another human scared at it, it even -- it reduces fear. It reduces anxiety. It keeps you calm if you can just be together.

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But unfortunately, in so many of our lives are stressed in our problems and our (00:25:07), they are the resulting about being together and we got all of the -- that's why God had to tell me, I have to get the demon off this step because when we are together, it invites price(ph) in the midst but when we have confusion and when we have discords and when we have this unity, it invites the demons in.

See, everything in the spiritual in the high-end have a (00:25:32) in the low-end. So, Jesus said, "If you are together in My name, I'll be there in the midst of you." What do you think happens when you're not together? Who do you think in midst then? Because see, in the spiritual realm, if you can ever see it, you're never alone. So, when you are not together, what doors are you opening and who are you inviting into your world? If you invited Jesus together, who are you inviting when you're not together?

And on the road to (00:26:05) as they talked about it. Jesus said, "What kind of conversation is this that you have with one another as you walk and you're safe?" Even when things are not going well, and (00:26:27) said(ph) his partner were walking and they were talking even about Jesus. They had a sad tones on its own and it's simply a representative of the things of the light and the things of the world that even when we're walking together, stuff will happen. But when Jesus comes in the midst, Jesus says, "Are you even talking about these things inside you say it."

See, when Jesus comes in the midst, He brings joy. And you put something in your spirit, it will be in the question, "Why are you sad?" And Jesus pointed them to the scripture, He said, "(00:27:00) what the prophets have already said that Jesus has to go through this thing?" Did you read in the scripture where it says, "Rumors of war(ph) must come strike and tossed?" Did you read what it says in the sermon, "You will undergo persecution?" Did you read where it said this stuff was coming? This is why are you sad?

When Jesus comes in the midst, He'll bring a comfort that's in the Holy Ghost is the confidence. (00:27:29) that even with all these stuff, when you walk in one accord but you need to be walking together because when you're not walking together, you can't hardly fix anything. Even when you patch something up, the other one is busted loose.

You can't hardly fix anything when you're not walking together but if you're walking together, you can endure almost anything because Christ is walking there in the midst and they didn't even know it but they were together. See, they were even together talking about the things that will (00:28:01) but they will all want to call.

You can even do good even if it's a negative thing. When you all want a (00:28:08), at least you can handle it better than if you just -- they were all want a (00:28:13) and Jesus came into the relationship and showed them and opened up their eyes and showed them another way. What are you saying? Then they drew near to the village where they were going and he indicated that he would have gone farther but they constrained and saying about (00:28:32). And they just said, "Come on home."

They said, "Come on home," there's something about it, people, that when you walk and talk about Jesus on one accord, Jesus will come on and take you home, because to be honest about it, it's more important for Jesus to be in your house than it is for Jesus to be here, because you all are going to leave here (00:28:55). And most day, you won't be back until next Sunday and this is (00:29:00) which means somewhat, you won't be back next Sunday because some -- just the truth, some of you all see (00:29:09). So, some of you won't be back until Mother's Day and Christmas.

So, it is more important for Jesus to abide in your house. Let's say they constrains of not knowing who He was but they knew He was bringing some comfort. They didn't know it was Jesus but they knew this stranger that was walking with them was changing something within them. Then their eyes were opened after they broke Christmas and they knew Him. And He vanished from their sight. Vanished, disappeared, poof.

Sometimes people that even when Jesus is revealed in the supernatural, but supernatural does not abide with us all the time. Sometimes, we want miracle after miracle after miracle after miracle after miracle. And the supernatural does not abide with us all the time.

Most of the stuff that we deal with is day by day, by day, by day and it's in the natural. Now, Jesus vanished from their sight. But as long as they were abided in Him, and together, He was there, just at home. He vanished from their sight. And they said to one another, "This is not our heart burned within us while He talked with us on the road. And while He opened the scripture to us."

It's Resurrection Sunday, of the resurrection time(ph). All of us are on the road going somewhere. Some are on the road to a (00:31:23), some are on the master's road. Some are on the Jericho road. And each one of the roads had a significance and a meaning based on the destination. So, all of us are on different roads but we all need to be walking together. And that's the main point of the message that I want to bring to you is just the one. Learn to get together with one vision, with one heart. Getting his words burned within our hearts and he opens the scriptures.

There's something about it, people, that when you really get (00:32:06), you know, when you really all want to court with someone, you can start finishing the other one's sentences. That's the difference. You can almost listen to language and tell whether people are all want to court. When people are all want to court, they will finish the other one's sentence. When they do not all want to court, they'll contradict them before it gets through.

Do you ever notice that you can even listen to the language and you can tell when folks all want to court. When husband and wife are really all want to court, they can talk and they have their own secret codes that no one understands but them. They got a language all to their own. They can talk about something, they said, "Baby, you know, we get to fix the washing machine today." To you, it sounds like they're fixing the washing machine. But they got their own language that only they know what "fixing the washing machine" means. When people are all

want to court, they'll move into their own world and it looks like it is a world separated but it is not. It is a world that is inclusive of Christ because He is there in the midst.

“One, wherever. Two, or three are gathered together in My name.” That's why the (00:33:44). I knew they weren't -- now, the request and the commitments that we made, he would spend three minutes a day in prayer with three people. They have two or three are gathered together. So, the three people that you need to spend it to really are three-folks in your own house. You'll be guaranteed that Jesus will be there in the midst with you. And so, when the things and the events of the world because you'll have (00:34:11) in the midst because you are on one accord, you are gathered together in His name.

It is not an easy thing to do. It's not easy for husband and wife to be on one accord. But when you set your mind and when you set your vision, and see, most of us, when we get together and we even agree with our husband and wife, it's usually agreeing on a thing but it is never agreed if they do, “We're going to be on one accord with each other.” See, if you can get to the point where you agree that you're on one accord with each other, the other things will take care of themselves. “Babe, I'm going to be on one accord with you. We're going to be on one accord in this (00:34:57).”

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Part of the problem is that sometimes like children are so rebellious because the parents are not on one accord. To understand the meaning of honor, “Honor thy father and thy mother”. The world says that imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. Oftentimes, the way that children honor thy mother and thy father, they imitate them. Parents, we even have to think about this. If we want our children to honor us, they're honoring is going to be an imitation. If your children had to imitate your relationship, what would it be like?

See, when you really bore down honor, it really means to be like. So, if our children are going to honor us and with a child's mind, they're going to be like mommy and daddy. So, when they honor (00:36:01), what are they going to be like? When you get on one accord and (00:36:06) “See, is mama and daddy are on one

accord and mama and daddy are in unison,” that’s what they’re going to see. And as a result, it will bring them on one accord.

But if they see mama and daddy is fussing and fighting, they’re going to honor that. And they don’t give you the same thing that you represented before them. And then they’re fussing and fighting with you. There’s a whole lot behind where two or three. That means for the whole big number, that’s just two or three because Jesus knew the difficulty of getting that thing done where two or three are gathered together in My name.”

There, (00:36:48). Jesus is waiting right now to come to everybody’s house or body(ph). To be the unseen guest of every man. There’s a day when he’s -- Jesus need to lay beside you all sleeping in the bed at night. Some of you all seen or met Jesus but you don’t need to be (00:37:10). Jesus needs to be laying there in the bed with you every night as you go to sleep because you need to be gathered there in His name.

Marriage is in His name. And the one flesh that’s all -- He needs to be everywhere that you are. There’s no part of my life that I don’t want the Lord in. None. I want Him everywhere I go. Do you know how many folks die in the bathroom? I want the Lord going with me when I go to the restroom. So, God in the bathroom every day. I want the Lord everywhere I go. We need to be on one accord. With at least one person in Jesus’ name. And Jesus said, “I will come and I will dwell in the midst of them.”

Bow your heads. Dear Heavenly Father, we pray right now. And we ask that Your resurrection time(ph) enter in this day, and the things that I did, the things that are in (00:38:25), the things that are in discord, we pray right now Jesus, for You to come in the midst of them as we save this in ourselves and as we make a vow that says we shall be gathered together in Your name. And we know that we’ve got some demons on our steps we need to kick off(ph) so the Holy Spirit can dwell back. And there’s no better time to do it, there’s no better time to start it than right now.

Dear Heavenly Father, many of us need to have You so many in our lives. Right now, though we may see You in another form, we need You in whatever form You come but we need You, even the (00:39:21) right now. But we must do that which we must be

for you to appear because the most of the (00:39:32), You didn't show up, they didn't see You after (00:39:36). Only those that believes, it doesn't matter what we've done for the one that You showed yourself to first, you (00:39:47). But she had a lot to be thankful and she's (00:39:53). And even she was not alone (00:40:01) another woman.

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She was together with someone. It doesn't matter what we've done, it doesn't matter where we've comes from, it only matters what role we're prepping, where we're going. Pray(ph) right now, that you're praying in the spirit of togetherness to those (00:40:29). In the name of Jesus, Amen. Amen, Amen.

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